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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hitoshi FUJIWARA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, CLIENT IN THE PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT METHOD IN THE PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, DATA RETRIEVAL METHOD IN THE PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER PRODUCT

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REFERENCES

The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached European Search Report listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.

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RELATED CASES

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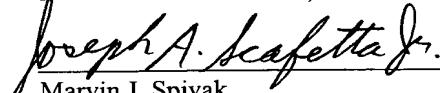
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